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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 4 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Guinea

Other matters

11.30 a.m. Conference Room 7

Private meeting of the members of the Security Council and the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (UNAMSIL)

3 p.m. 4204th (resumed) meeting Security Council Chamber

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/928)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/929)

Identical letters dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council (S/2000/930)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/934)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/935)

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Advance announcement

Security Council Working Group on Peace Operations will meet on Thursday, 5 October 2000, at 4 p.m. in the Consultation Room.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 4

General debate *(continued)*:

Switzerland
Mali
United States
Belarus
Algeria
Russian Federation
Colombia
Senegal
Chile

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/55/INF.1)]

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice [105] (A/55/156, A/55/119, A/55/162-S/2000/715, A/55/257-S/2000/766, A/C.3/55/L.3, L.4 and L.5)

2. International drug control [106] (A/55/126, A/55/375, A/55/68-S/2000/377, A/55/133-S/2000/682, A/55/257-S/2000/766, A/55/260-S/2000/108, A/55/326-S/2000/834)

Continuation of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 3

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [122] (A/55/11)

Continuation of the general discussion

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

UNTAET

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal consultations

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations under the Chairmanship of Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), to discuss the themes for the 2001 Economic and Social Council High-level Segment and Coordination Segment

ADMNISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Second session

10.45 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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United Nations Development Programme

The first informal consultation on the *Human Development Report* 2001 will be held *today*, 4 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 4 October 2000

JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AND THE GROUP OF 77
(at the ambassadorial level)
(briefing by Ambassador Lakhdar Brahimi on the report of the Panel on Peace Operations)

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

ARAB GROUP

3.30 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	To be announced

GROUP OF 77
(on Second Committee matters)

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held *today*, 4 October, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Ageing and Development", sponsored by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), in collaboration with the United Nations Programme on Ageing, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, *today*, 4 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Speakers will include Mr. Akilagpa Sawyerr, Association of African Universities; Mr. Ascobat Gani, University of Indonesia; Ms. Linda Wong, City University of Hong Kong (and currently working at DESA); and Mr. Antony de Bono, International Institute on Ageing. Mr. Nizamuddin, Director, Technical and Policy Division of UNFPA, and Mr. Sidorenko, Chief, United Nations Programme on Ageing, will also participate in the discussion. Mr. John Langmore, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will open the meeting. Members of permanent missions, Secretary staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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There will be a meeting of troop contributors to the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (UNIKOM) with members of the Security Council *today*, 4 October 2000, at 3.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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Announcement

As from Tuesday, 3 October 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 5 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	6th meeting	Conference Room 1

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 1

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	6th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	7th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 3

SIXTH COMMITTEE

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	9th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments), will be held on Thursday, 5 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects)

Informal consultations of interested delegations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects) will be held on Thursday, 5 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda item 82 (Effects of Atomic Radiation) and other related agenda items are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (Room S-2977, tel.: (212) 963-3051), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Panel discussion

A panel on the status of the reform of the international financial architecture will be the subject of a panel of experts and an open discussion, hosted by the Second Committee, in support of the General Assembly deliberations on macroeconomic policy questions: financing of development, including the net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries (agenda item 94 (e)) on 10 October 2000, from 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m., in Conference Room 2.

The panel will be chaired by Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will be Mr. Rumman Faruqi, Director, Economic Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat; Ms. Barbara Samuels II, Project Director of the Council on Foreign Relations Roundtable on Country Risk in the Post Asia-Crisis Era; Ms. Sylvia Saborío, Co-Chair of Overseas Development Council Task Force on "The Future Role of the IMF in Development"; and Mr. Arjun Sengupta, Independent Expert on the Right to Development, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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The Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All its Aspects will hold an informal inter-sessional meeting on Friday, 6 October 2000, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to continue its consideration of the following informal proposals of the Chairman circulated to delegations during the informal inter-sessional meeting of the Preparatory Committee held 17-19 July 2000: draft objective of the Conference, draft provisional agenda, structure and elements for a Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in small Arms and Light Weapons in All its Aspects.

All States, as well as specialized agencies, other relevant intergovernmental organisations and relevant entities, having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and in the work of the General Assembly are invited to participate.

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The 206th (closed) meeting* of the Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait will be held on Thursday, 5 October 2000, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to members of the United Nations, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal (informal) consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Grant Robertson (New Zealand) on item 8 (Restructuring and Revitalisation of the United Nations in Economic and Social Fields) will take place on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9, and, if necessary, on Wednesday, 11 October, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room D.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the African Group of the Whole on Thursday, 5 October 2000, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 5 October 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Disarmament of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 5 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room D.

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The briefing to Group of 77 Ambassadors and their experts by the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Mohamed El-Ashry, on the agency's development programme to assist developing countries on the following issues on climate change, biological diversity, desertification and forests: (a) capacity-building; (b) technology transfer; and (c) adaptation, scheduled for Thursday, 5 October 2000 has been postponed until Thursday, 9 November 2000 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Briefing

There will be a briefing of the World Bank on its latest policy research report entitled "Engendering Development : Through Gender Equality in Rights, Resources, and Voice" on Thursday, 5 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of permanent missions, representatives of non-governmental organizations, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday and Friday, 5 and 6 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing jointly with the World Trade Organization (WTO) a Workshop on International Trade Negotiations as part of the International Trade Series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Wednesday, 18 to Friday, 20 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 11 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Panel discussions

There will be a panel discussion on "Ageing and the World of Work", co-sponsored by the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), on Friday, 6 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. John Langmore, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA. The speakers will be Mr. Ali Taqi, Special Adviser, ILO; Mr. Alexandre Sidorenko, Chief, Programme on Ageing, DESA; Mr. James Schulz, Professor Emeritus, Brandeis University; and Ms. Helen Hamlin, Chair, NGO Committee on Ageing. Members of permanent missions, representatives of non-governmental organizations, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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The International Labour Organization (ILO) will host a discussion on "Gender, Poverty and Employment: An ILO Perspective" on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A. The discussants will be Ms. Youyoun Zhang, Director, Bureau for Gender Equality, and Ms. Amelita King-Dejardin, Employment Specialist, Informal Sector Unit, Skills Development Department, ILO, Geneva. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cindy Berman (tel.: (212) 697-0150, extension 106).

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There will be a panel discussion on "Cities Without Slums", co-sponsored by the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the World Bank, on Thursday, 12 October 2000, from 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The participants will include H.E. Mr. Sergio Vento, Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations; Mayor Hector Silva of San Salvador (El Salvador); Mrs. Anna Kajumulo Tibaijuka, Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat); and Ms. Frannie Leautier, Director, Infrastructure Division, World Bank. Mr. Sarbuland Khan, Director of the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, will be the moderator. Members of permanent missions, Secretary staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special event

There will be a presentation of the video "World Bank 2000: Prague and the Annual Report", organized by the World Bank, on Thursday, 5 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The presentation will be followed by a briefing on the 2000 Annual Report of the World Bank. Members of permanent missions, Secretary staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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The Coordination Office of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) will host a lecture on "Intellectual Property and Development" on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in room DC2-2525. The lecture will be delivered by Mr. Roberto Castelo, Deputy Director-General of WIPO. Prospective participants should contact Ms. Lynette Dasanayake to reserve space (tel.: (212) 963-6813; fax: (212) 963-4801).

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Briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Special Representative to the United Nations, is organizing a debriefing following the annual meetings of September 2000 of the IMF. The debriefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 3 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

4204th meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/928)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/929)

Identical letters dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/930)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/934)

Letter dated 2 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2000/935)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, Bahrain, Cuba, Egypt, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, the Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey and Yemen, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 3 October 2000 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/2000/938), requesting an invitation to participate in the meeting in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to participate in the debate.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of Palestine.

The representative of Israel made a statement.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the United States, France, Bangladesh, the Netherlands, Malaysia, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, Argentina, Jamaica, the United Kingdom, China, Canada, Tunisia and Mali, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Namibia.

Statements were then made by the representatives of Egypt and the South Africa.

The meeting was suspended.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

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FIRST COMMITTEE 4th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued the general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Bangladesh, Indonesia, the United Arab Emirates, South Africa, China, Japan, Peru, Costa Rica, Egypt, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Norway.

Election of the Rapporteur

The Committee elected Mr. Rastislav Gabriel (Slovakia) as Rapporteur of the Committee.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 8th meeting

Note: The summary of the 8th meeting of the Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2000/193).

SECOND COMMITTEE 5th meeting

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

An exchange of views was held and statements were made by the representatives of the United States, France, Saint Lucia, Brazil, Pakistan, Nepal and Mexico.

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs responded to queries raised.

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Tajikistan, Uruguay, Uganda, Cuba, Malawi, Guatemala, Indonesia, Ethiopia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Monaco.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 7th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [169]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were then made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta and Iceland), South Africa (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Norway, Pakistan, the United States, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, Japan, Croatia, Bangladesh, Israel, Argentina, Mexico, Turkey, Burkina Faso, Hungary, Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia), Romania, Estonia, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Cyprus, Slovenia and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The Chairman informed the Committee that, as agreed by the Bureau, Mr. Frank Smyth (Ireland) would chair the informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations) and that H.E. Dr. Movses Abelian (Armenia) would chair the informal consultations on agenda item 169 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations) as well as sub-item153 (b) (Relocation of South Africa to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232).

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, to set 6 p.m. on Tuesday, 3 October, as the deadline for the closure of the list of speakers on agenda item 169.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2000

663rd and 664th meetings

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Slovakia (CRC/C/11/Add.17).

In accordance with the provisional rules of procedure of the Committee, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions and observations made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Coffee Agreement, 1994, as extended until 30 September 2001, with modifications, by Resolution No. 384 adopted by the International Coffee Council in London on 21 July 1999. London, 30 March 1994

Accession: Equatorial Guinea (28 September 2000)*

* Date of receipt of relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Exibit

An exhibit of photographs entitled "Ending Rural Poverty: A Challenge for the 21st Century", sponsored by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), will be on display from *today*, 4 October to 31 October 2000, in the south corner of the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building. An opening ceremony will take place *today*, 4 October 2000, at 11.30 a.m. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special event

An event to launch the first World Space Week will be held *today*, 4 October 2000, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The programme will highlight opportunities presented by space technology for addressing such issues as security, health, education and access to information in developing countries. A message from the Secretary-General will be delivered by Mr. Hogen Kensaku, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information. Ms. Mazlan Othman, Director, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (OOSA), will give an opening address, followed by a videotaped message by science-fiction author Arthur C. Clarke. Lou Dobbs, Chief Executive Officer, SPACE.com, and former anchor, CNN, will moderate a panel of space explorers from India, Romania, the United States, and European Space Agency. There will be presentations on space technology being used to improve agriculture and disaster management in China, and on space for humanitarian relief, followed by a space conference for students. The programme is sponsored by the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (OOSA) and the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Planetary Society. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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International Day of Older Persons

On the occasion of the tenth annual commemoration of the International Day of Older Persons, the NGO Committee on Aging, in collaboration with the United Nations Programme on Ageing, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the Department of Public Information, will hold an event on the theme "Towards a Society for All Ages" on Thursday, 5 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The speakers in the morning programme will include H.E. Sra. Julia T. de Alvarez, Alternate Permanent Representative of the Dominican Republic to the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Arthur C.I. Mbanefo, Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Inocencio F. Arias, Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations. The afternoon programme will include a screening of clips from the film "The Buena Vista Social Club" followed by a panel dialogue on "Multigenerational/multicultural Perspectives on life in the older years". Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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